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1. A. 1. NO

A. 2. USAID MAILROOM CURRENTLY HAS ONE HEATHKIT METAL DETECTOR. RSO HAS RECOMMENDED CONSTRUCTION OF WOOD TABLE WHICH WOULD ACCOMMODATE INVERTED HEATHKIT IN ORDER TO FACILITATE SCREENING OF MAIL. ALSO RECOMMEND PURCHASE OF OSZILLOV METAL DETECTOR TO BE USED BY CONTRACT GUARD AT RECEPTION/GUARD DESK.

A. 3. CURRENT ENCLOSURE ADEQUATE.

A. 4. N/A

B. 1. N/A

B. 2. N/A

B. 3. N/A

C. 1. CONTACT ALARM SHOULD BE INSTALLED ON DOOR LEADING

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FROM USAID FOOD FOR PEACE OFFICE TO ADJOINING OFFICE OF

CHILEAN CIVIL AERONAUTICS BOARD, HOUSED IN GOC MINISTRY OF DEFENSE BUILDING. KEYS TO THIS DOOR ARE MAINTAINED ON BOTH SIDES OF THE DOOR TO BE USED IN THE EVENT OF AN EMERGENCY. ALARM WOULD SOUND AT CONTRACT GUARD DESK IF DOOR WERE OPENED.

C. 2. NO

C. 3. NO

D. POST RADIO NET OPERATES ON TWO FREQUENCIES. CHANNEL 1 IS RESERVED FOR EMERGENCY USE ONLY. CHANNEL 2 IS USED FOR DAY-TO-DAY SECURITY PURPOSES, I.E. COMMUNICATION BETWEEN MSG AND AMBASSADOR'S AND DCM'S PROTECTIVE UNITS; COMMUNICATION BETWEEN MOBILE PATROLS AND STATIC GUARD POSTS.

D. 1. 125 VERSUS 81

D. 2. USAID HAS A PR-36 LOCATED AT THE TELEPHONE SWITCHBOARD WHICH IS WITHIN EASY REACH OF THE CONTRACT GUARD. THE PR-36 PROVIDES ADEQUATE COMMUNICATIONS CAPABILITY BETWEEN USAID AND THE EMBASSY BASE STATION. ADDITIONALLY, THE USAID DIRECTOR HAS A PR-36 MOUNTED IN A CHARGER LOCATED AT HIS RESIDENCE. THE PR-36 AND CHARGER IS CONNECTED TO AN AR-2 EXTERNAL ANTENNA.

D. 3. USAID DIRECTOR HAS A MT-76 RADIO IN HIS OFFICIAL VEHICLE.

E. THERE ARE NO MSGS AT THE USAID OFFICES. HOWEVER, MSGS CONDUCT A SECURITY CHECK AND CHAR FORCE ESCORT MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY AT APPROXIMATELY 1730 HOURS. THERE IS ONE CONTRACT GUARD POST LOCATED AT THE ENTRANCE TO THE USAID OFFICE AREA. THIS POST IS STAFFED BY FOUR CONTRACT GUARDS PROVIDING 24 HOUR COVERAGE, SEVEN DAYS/WEEK (EACH GUARD WORKS AN EIGHT HOUR SHIFT). GUARDS HAVE ACCESS TO SMALL ARMS LOCATED BEHIND THE GUARD DESK.

F. DEFENSE OF USAID MISSION BASED PRIMARILY ON CONTRACT GUARD POSTED AT ENTRNACE TO USAID OFFICE AREA LOCATED ACROSS FROM ELEVATOR ON THE TENTH FLOOR. ALL PERSONS VISITING USAID LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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MUST PASS THE GUARD DESK. ONLY EXCEPTION IS USAID EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S OFFICE SPACE WHICH IS LOCATED ON THE SECOND FLOOR OF THE SAME BUILDING.

RECOMMENDATION: EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S OFFICE SHOULD BE MOVED TO NINTH OR TENTH FLOOR.

F. 1. INTERCOMS ARE INTEGRATED INTO PHONE SYSTEM.

F. 2. ENTRANCE TO USAID IS HALLWAY DIRECTLY OUTSIDE OF ELEVATOR ON TENTH FLOOR. THERE IS CURRENTLY A VERTICALLY FOLDING SOLID METAL BARRIER LOCATED APPROXIMATELY THREE FEET FROM THE ELEVATOR. THE BARRIER IS SECURED AT COB. THE BARRIER COULD BE USED TO PREVENT ENTRY BY HOSTILE ELEMENTS ONLY IF ADVANCE WARNING WERE AVAILABLE.

F. 3. THERE ARE CURRENTLY TWO SWINGING GLASS DOORS LEADING TO OFFICE SPACE AND THE DIRECTOR'S OFFICE ON THE TENTH FLOOR. THESE DOORS SHOULD BE REPLACED WITH SOLID DOORS AND EQUIPPED WITH AN ELECTRIC LOCK RELEASE CYPHER LOCK CONTROLLED BY THE CONTRACT GUARD.

RECOMMENDATION: ONE S&G 181 SLIDING DEADBOLT SHOULD BE INSTALLED ON THE INSIDE OF EACH DOOR LEADING FROM THE DIRECTOR'S OFFICE. THIS WOULD ALLOW FOR A TEMPORARY SAFEHAVEN IN THE EVENT OF A TERRORIST ATTACK.

F. 4. N/A

G. THE USAID DIRECTOR'S OFFICIAL VEHICLE IS PARTIALLY ARMORED.

H. 1. THE USAID DIRECTOR'S RESIDENCE IS SURROUNDED BY WALLS OF VARYING HEIGHTS. THE HEIGHT OF THESE WALLS ARE CONSIDERED ADEQUATE.

H. 2. N/A

H. 3. THE TWO DOORS LEADING FROM THE MASTER BEDROOM AT THE USAID DIRECTOR'S RESIDENCE SHOULD BE EQUIPPED WITH S&G 181 DEADBOLTS. THERE IS AN ADJOINING BATHROOM WHICH WOULD BE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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PART OF THE SAFEHAVEN AND A WINDOW LEADING FROM THE BEDROOM WHICH WOULD SERVE AS AN EMERGENCY EXIT.

H. 4. NO ADDITIONAL SECURITY LIGHTING IS RECOMMENDED.

I. THE USAID DIRECTOR'S RESIDENCE HAS 24-HOUR CONTRACT GUARD SERVICE. THIS POST IS STAFFED BY FOUR RETIRED CARABINEROS WORKING EIGHT HOUR SHIFTS. THEY ARE EMPLOYED BY THE EMBASSY GUARD CONTRACTOR AND ARE SUPERVISED BY THE CONTRACTOR AND RSO.

ADDITIONALLY, A CONTRACT GUARD MOBILE PATROL MAKES SECURITY CHECKS OF ALL AMERICAN PERSONNEL RESIDING IN THE GREATER SANTIAGO AREA.

2. AID OFFICES AND DIRECTOR'S RESIDENCE ARE SHORT-TERM LEASES.

3. FYI, USAID OFFICES ARE IN A BUILDING OWNED BY THE
RETIREMENT INSTITUTION OF THE CENTRAL BANK OF CHILE, A GOC
INSTITUTION. THIS BUILDING IS CONTIGUOUS TO A BUILDING
WHICH HOUSES THE CIVIL AERONAUTIC COMMISSION, A UNIT OF THE
MINISTRY OF DEFENSE, GOC.
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